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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION WITH
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed June 19, 2003 (Paper No. 16). Claims 1-8, 10, 11 and 57-59 were variously rejected under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102(a), 102(b), and §112, first and second paragraphs. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested in light of the following amendment and remarks. This response is timely filed with a petition and fee for a three-month extension of time.

Amendments to the specification begin at page 2.

The listing of claims begins at page 12.

Remarks begin at page 15.